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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Paul L. Hickman

APPLICATION NO.: 09/633,497

FILED: August 7, 2000

FOR: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
ACCESSING A WIDE AREA
NETWORK**

EXAMINER: A. PATEL

ART UNIT: 2664

CONFIRMATION NO.: 2664

**Petition to Revive Unintentionally Abandoned
Application under 37 CFR §1.137(b)**

Box DAC, Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

1. The applicant hereby petitions for revival of the above-identified application, which apparently became abandoned on July 2, 2002 for failure to file a response to the Office Action mailed August 28, 2001.

2. Reply Under 37 CFR §1.137(b)(1)

Enclosed herewith is a reply to the Office Action.

3. Fee Under 37 CFR §1.137(b)(2)

Enclosed is check number 1005 for the fee of **\$640.00** under 37 CFR 1.17(m) for small entity.

4. Statement Under 37 CFR §1.137(b)(3)

The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR §1.137(b) was unintentional.

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5. Duration of Abandonment (1203 OG 86-87, Oct. 21, 1997)

- ☒ This petition is being filed within 3 months of the date on which the applicant was first notified of the abandonment by a Notice of Abandonment mailed July 2, 2002. Under current USPTO practice, further information regarding the abandonment is not required.
- ☐ This petition is being filed more than 3 months after the applicant was first notified of the abandonment, but within 1 year of the date of abandonment. Attached hereto is a statement by explaining how the abandonment occurred and how it was unintentional.
- ☐ This petition is being filed more than 1 year after the apparent date of abandonment. Attached hereto is a statement by explaining when the applicant or applicant's representative first became aware of the abandonment and how the delay in discovering the abandoned status occurred despite the exercise of due care or diligence on the part of the applicant or the applicant's representative.

6. Terminal Disclaimer under 37 CFR §1.137(b)(4) and (c)

- ☒ Since this application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.
- ☐ Since this application was filed before June 8, 1995, a terminal disclaimer is enclosed dedicating to the public a terminal part of the term of any patent granted hereon, and of any patent granted on a continuing application hereof, equivalent to the period of abandonment of this application.

7. Additional Fees

- ☒ Please charge any underpayment in fees for timely consideration of this Petition to Deposit Account No. 50-2207.

Respectfully submitted,
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